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Schedule of plenary meetings

Note by the President of the General Assembly

1. The present document contains a programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its seventy-first session as from 7 November 2016. Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be reflected in revised versions of the present document and on the website of the Assembly (www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/71schedule.shtml) and will be announced in the *Journal of the United Nations*.

Date	Agenda item
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Monday, 7 November a.m.	Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council [122]
	[Promotion of justice and international law; Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Wednesday, 9 November a.m.	Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [71]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/263-S/2016/670); International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals [129]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/262-S/2016/669): *joint debate*

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	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Thursday, 10 November a.m.	1. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences [115 (g)]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/107)
	2. Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit [115 (h)]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/178)
	3. Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [112 (b)]: by-election
	[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences: Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Wednesday, 16 November a.m.	Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [13]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/534); notes by the Secretary-General (A/71/177 and A/71/363); Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [117]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/534); Strengthening of the United Nations system [123 (a) and (b)]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/378); United Nations reform: measures and proposals [124]: *joint debate*
	[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences: Maintenance of international peace and security]
Thursday, 17 November a.m.	1. The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order [15]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/185)
	2. The situation in Afghanistan [36]: report of the Secretary-General
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Monday, 21 November a.m.	Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [126 (a) to (z)]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/160-S/2016/621); notes by the Secretary-General (A/71/171 and A/71/207)
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Wednesday, 23 November a.m.	Investigation into the conditions and circumstances resulting in the tragic death of Dag Hammarskjöld and of the members of the party accompanying him [130]: report of the Secretary-General
Thursday, 24 November	Official United Nations holiday (Thanksgiving)

Date	*Agenda item*
	[Maintenance of international peace and security]
Tuesday, 29 November p.m.	1. Question of Palestine [35]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/174)
Wednesday, 30 November a.m. and p.m.	2. The situation in the Middle East [34]: reports of the Secretary-General (A/71/328 and A/71/359-S/2016/732)
	[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences]
Tuesday, 6 December a.m.	Sport for development and peace [11]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/179)
	[Promotion of justice and international law]
Wednesday, 7 December a.m.	Oceans and the law of the sea [73 (a) and (b)]: reports of the Secretary-General (A/71/74 and A/71/351)
	[Effective coordination of humanitarian assistance efforts]
Thursday, 8 December a.m.	Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [69 (a) to (d)]: reports of the Secretary-General (A/71/82-E/2016/60, A/71/87-E/2016/67, A/71/329, A/71/336, A/71/353 and A/71/395)
	[Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences: Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Friday, 9 December a.m.	1. Culture of peace [14]: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/407)
	2. Global health and foreign policy [127]
	[Organizational, administrative and other matters]
Monday, 12 December a.m.	Appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations [113]: oath of office
Monday, 12 December p.m.	**[Maintenance of international peace and security; Disarmament; Organizational, administrative and other matters]**
	1. Report of the Credentials Committee [3 (b)]
	2. Prevention of armed conflict [31]
	3. Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development [32]

Date	Agenda item
	4. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic [33]
	5. The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan [37]
	6. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency [88]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/322)
	7. Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination [114 (a)]
	8. Election of five members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission [114 (c)]
	9. Appointment of the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal [115 (b)]
	10. International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [128]
(12 December: end of 13 weeks)	

2. The following plenary items have not been scheduled for debate during the main part of the session:[1]

Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the political declarations on HIV/AIDS [10]

Report of the Security Council [28] (see S/2015/944)

Report of the Peacebuilding Commission [29]; Peacebuilding and sustaining peace [61]; Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund [110]: *joint debate*

The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict [30]

Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance [66]: commemorative meeting during the commemoration of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [item 68 (b)]: high-level plenary meeting for the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance

[1] Item 131, entitled "Global awareness of the tragedies of irregular migrants in the Mediterranean basin, with specific emphasis on Syrian asylum seekers", will be scheduled during the main part of the session on a date to be determined.

Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations [111]: note by the Secretary-General (A/71/300)

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council [112 (a)][1]

Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [112 (b)][1]

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Board of the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns [115 (i)]

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: confirmation of the appointment of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme [115 (j)]

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: confirmation of the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development [115 (k)]

The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy [118]

Multilingualism [125]

3. Inscription on the lists of speakers should be made through the e-delegate portal, available at http://delegate.un.int. The e-speakers link for inscription for the plenary meetings is currently open. An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription. For enquiries regarding usernames and passwords, kindly contact the help desk of the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (help-desk@un.org). For any other enquiries regarding the lists of speakers, please contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (Antonina Poliakova, tel. 1 212 963 5063; e-mail poliakova@un.org, with copy to gaspeakerslist@un.org).

4. Representatives are reminded to submit draft resolutions sufficiently in advance so that Member States will have adequate time to examine them. Representatives are also reminded that, should a draft resolution have programme budget implications, sufficient time should be allowed to enable the Secretary-General to prepare a statement on those implications. Additional time is also required to enable the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the Fifth Committee to review those implications before the draft resolution is acted upon by the General Assembly.

[1] The General Assembly, in its resolution 68/307, decided to conduct the elections of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and the members of the Economic and Social Council about six months before the elected members assume their responsibilities, beginning at the seventieth session.